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F. Steven Mooney, Chief Executive Officer
Thompson Creek Metals, LLC
5241 South Quebec Street
Suite 103
Englewood, Colorado 80111

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Re: NPDES Permit No. ID-002540-2 for the Thompson Creek Mine in
Clayton, Idaho

Dear Mr. Mooney:

Enclosed for your information are copies of a draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit which we propose to issue to the referenced facility, the public notice as it will appear in the local newspaper, and a fact sheet which outlines the basis for the permit.

As a result of recent discussions with the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, we modified the effluent limitations for outfall 004 in the preliminary draft permit which was sent to you. In order to insure the protection of water quality in Bruno Creek, the state felt that we should create tiered limitations based on two flow regimes.

The Public Notice will initiate a 30-day public comment period. Following the close of the public comment period, we will consider the comments received in preparation of the final permit.

Technical questions regarding the permit may be referred to William Chamberlain at (206) 553-8515.

Sincerely,

for
Gregory L. Kellogg, Chief
Wastewater Management & Enforcement
Branch

Enclosures

cc: Henry Moran, IDHW-DEQ, Eastern Idaho Regional Office
Matt Nelson, IDHW-DEQ, Northeast Idaho Regional Office